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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Presidential Transition

1. I telephoned Charlie Murphy at the White House today and briefed him on the arrangements which we have made at the President's personal request to the Director for providing President-elect Nixon and selected members of his staff with current intelligence. I told him specifically of the arrangements we had made in New York City for secure communications in a secure room and for the handling and protection of classified information in New York City.

2. Mr. Murphy was grateful for this information and expressed himself as being entirely satisfied with these arrangements. He did say, however, that the President was interested in ensuring that clearances given the Nixon people were granted in accordance with regulations and that classified information was handled according to established procedures. I assured him that, while we had expedited the investigations and clearances of the personnel, the clearances had indeed been granted after going through the usual procedures, and we accepted responsibility for them. He said he was satisfied with this also,

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3. With regard to the protection of information, I told him that our Director of Security had personally gone to New York City and established a secure room with secure communications which is manned on a 24-hour-a-day basis by our own people and that we are confident that the information we are supplying is being properly handled and protected. Mr. Murphy said he was "comforted" by these arrangements, was gratified that we were not encountering any problems, and hoped that the situation would remain that way.

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